

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 97-2-3**

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For Work Week Commencing: February 3, 1997

Business Meeting Date & Time: February 3, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. USWC/Western Wireless Docket D96.9.150 - Discuss matters as necessary (2/3/97)
2. Resale Dockets D96.11.191/198 - Discuss matters as necessary (2/3/97)
3. USWC/AT&T Arbitration Docket D96.11.200 - Discuss matters as necessary (2/3/97)
4. EAS Dockets D95.10.146 and D95.10.147 - Discuss draft final order (2/3/97)
5. USWC ISDN Docket D96.7.121 - Discuss USWC's Request for Extension of Time to file Rebuttal Testimony (2/3/97)
6. USWC Rate Rebalancing Docket D96.12.220 - Discuss matters as necessary (2/3/97)

7. USWC Long Distance Service Docket N96.12.218 - Discuss and/or act on USWC's tariff filing to implement 1-800 calling card service to provide long distance service to all its customers in conjunction with US West Long Distance, Inc. And Frontier Communications, Inc. (2/3/97)
8. MPC Docket D96.2.22 - Discuss and act on status of settlement negotiations, review procedure for contested case or settlement presentation, and other matters as necessary (2/3/97)
9. USWC Service Quality Settlement - Decide whether to accept USWC's proposal for service installation improvement targets required by the service quality settlement (2/3/97)
10. The Commission's continued discussion of Electric Industry Restructuring and various legislation pertaining to customer choice in electricity and natural gas industries (2/3/97)
11. Weekly **AND** Monthly Scheduling Meetings - Will be held following the 9:00 a.m. Legislative work session on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.1.11 (Nina)

On January 24, 1997, U S West Communications filed Tariff Transmittal 97-04 "Start Up Business Packages", introducing Expansion Business Packages. The Expansion Packages introduced, are designed to serve growth needs of customers who have had a business account with USWC for longer than 24 months. This filing compliments the filing of "Start Up Business Packages" which was previously approved to become effective Jan. 15, 1997.

2. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.1.13 (Nina)

On January 24, 1997, MCI Telecommunications filed Transmittal Letter No. 97-01 reflecting minor text changes, proposing to grandfather the following Premier Calling Plans: Advance Option I, MCI Sure Savings Option, Sure Save Sense, and Sure Save Reach. These calling plans will only be available to those customers who enroll prior to Feb. 10, 1997.

3. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.1.12 (Bonnie)

On January 24, 1997, USWC filed Tariff Transmittal 97-05 which reduces monthly rates for Residential Message Voice Notification from \$3.50 to \$3.00. Minor text changes have also been filed which do not impact rates, terms or conditions.

4. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.1.10 (Vicki)

On January 24, 1997, US WEST Communications filed a promotional rate reduction for residential and business customers who subscribe to Caller ID or Caller Identification - Name and Number during the period of February 17 through March 28, 1997. The new customers would receive a waiver of the non-recurring charge of \$11.25.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 97-2-10

Docket N97.1.11	USWC (Nina)
Docket N97.1.13	MCI (Nina)
Docket N97.1.10	USWC (Vicki)
Docket N97.1.12	USWC (Bonnie)

New Filings Received in Past Week

N97.1.10	USWC - Caller ID Promotion
N97.1.11	USWC - Start-Up Business Packages
N97.1.12	USWC - Residence Voice Messaging - Message Notification Rate Reduction
N97.1.13	MCI - Intro Away From Home Promotion & miscellaneous textual changes